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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 24 with the following amended paragraph:

FIGURE 15 is a schematic representation of steps for the isolation of procyanidin B2 from cat's claw (i.e., *Uncaria tomentosa*) bark powder in accordance with the present disclosure. Briefly, following filtration of the extract and evaporation (on a rotary evaporator), 50 g of Silica gel 60H was added and the mixture was dried. The dried powder was applied to a Silica 60H (200g) column (equilibrated and dried in 10% methanol/chloroform). The following fractions (each eluted until silica dries) were taken: 1) 250mL of 10% methanol/chloroform; 2) 250mL of 10% methanol/chloroform; 3) 250mL of 20% methanol/chloroform; 4) 250mL of 20% methanol/chloroform; 5) 250mL of 40% methanol/chloroform; 6) 250mL of 40% methanol/chloroform; 7) 250mL of 60% methanol/chloroform; and 8) 250mL of 60% methanol/chloroform. Fraction 6 or 7, whichever was richer in Procyanidin B2, was evaporated. Three grams was dissolved in 5 mL methanol, 6 g of 300 mesh silica was added, and the mixture was dried. This was applied to 40 g of 300 mesh silica equilibrated in chloroform. The amount of silica and solvents were increased proportionately (between 1-5 g of materials were obtained from fraction 6 or 7). The column was eluted with: 1) 250mL of 10% methanol/chloroform; 2) 250mL of 20% methanol/chloroform; and 3) 250mL of 40% methanol/chloroform. The eluants contained 0.1% v/v formic acid. One microliter aliquot of each fraction (24 mL/fraction) was analyzed by TLC eluting with 40% methanol/chloroform. Procyanidin B2 usually came out at fraction 18-25 (1.2-2.4 g after drying). This was made up to 2 mL in 95% ethanol and applied to a 50 g LH20 column. The column was eluted with 1800 mL of 95% ethanol. Fractions (24 mL/fraction) were collected every 20 minutes. Pure Procyanidin B2 came out at fractions usually 28-33 (100 mg after drying).